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Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S.) No. 168, dated 25th August 1902.

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Order thereon No.867 Revenue, d/23rd September 1902.

The work reported upon was distinctly unsatisfactory. The Deputy Collector should be specially warned upon the subject and the Collector should keep a special watch on the work done from month to month.

(True Extract)

(Sd) M. Hammick,

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (R.S.)

,, Public Works Dept.

,, Local & Municipal Dept.

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Periyár Irrigation.—Reviewing the progress report from the Special Deputy Collector,—, for the quarter ending 30th June 1902.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

The Hon'ble Mr. J. N. Atkinson.

Read—the following letter from M.R.Ry. M. TIRUMALAI PILLAI Avergal, B.A., Deputy Collector on Special Duty, Periyár, to the Collector of Madura, dated 29th July 1902, Dis. No. 195-R. :—

I have the honour to submit my progress report for the quarter ending 30th June 1902.

2. *Sub-division of survey fields.*—Of the 29,844 sub-divisions shown as pending measurement at the end of the previous quarter, 3,518 sub-divisions were measured during the quarter under report against 2,316 in the previous quarter. The total number of sub-divisions that have been completed up to the quarter is 21,160, but their areas have not been adjusted. The number of sub-divisions that still remains to be measured is 26,326 in both the taluks, besides the sub-divisions that may have to be made owing to new channels, cross roads and tank-beds, &c. The records of sub-divisions already made have to be compared and completed after adjustment of their areas, and the head surveyor says that this work cannot be done by the existing staff of surveyors without prejudice to their field work. He, therefore, requests that two extra field surveyors may be appointed for the purpose so that the records may be completed then and there. I am addressing the Assistant Superintendent on the subject, and, on the receipt of his reply, I shall submit my proposals for the same.

3. *Disposal of applications for loans.*—During the quarter under report, 145 applications involving an amount of Rs. 36,695 were received and the total number of applications that had to be disposed of during the quarter under report including those that were pending at the end of the previous quarter was 224 involving an amount of Rs. 56,420. Of these, 17 applications involving an amount of Rs. 4,500 were rejected for various reasons and 92 applications involving an amount of Rs. 18,890 were accepted during the quarter under report, leaving a balance of 115 applications involving an amount of Rs. 29,455 exclusive of the sum of Rs. 3,595 being the reduction in the amount applied for. Including the cases that awaited payment at the end of the previous quarter, the number of applications on which advances were made during the quarter was 155 and the total amount advanced including the payment of second instalment was Rs. 22,277-8-0 against Rs. 50,015 in the previous quarter. Of the 115 applications shown as pending, 46 have since been disposed of. The several officers with whom the above 115 applications were pending are noted below :—

With whom pending.	One month and under.	More than one month and less than three months.	More than three months and less than six months.	More than six months.	Total.
Special Revenue Inspectors	18	..	3	2	23
Public Works Department	..	4	..	..	4
Registration Department	69	12	6	..	87
Tahsildar of Madura	..	..	1	..	1
Total ..	87	16	10	2	115

Prompt steps have been taken to dispose of the remaining applications. An allotment of Rs. 92,500 under the Land Improvement Loans Act and Rs. 73,300 under the Agriculturists Loans Act was first placed at my disposal for disbursement during the current official year. Out of this amount a sum of Rs. 20,000 under the Land Improvement Loans Act has been allotted elsewhere and the balance of allotment stands thus—Rs. 72,500 under the Land Improvement Loans Act and Rs. 73,300 under the Agriculturists Loans Act. Deducting the amount of Rs. 22,277–8–0 disbursed during the quarter under report, the balance available for disbursement during the remaining part of the year is Rs. 61,187–8–0 under the Land Improvement Loans Act and Rs. 62,335 under the Agriculturists Loans Act.

4. *Laying out of distributaries.*—During the quarter under report requisitions from the Public Works Department for the acquisition of lands for 11 distributaries and field channels were received and the total number of requisitions that had to be complied with during the quarter including those that were pending at the end of the previous quarter was 65. Out of these lands were measured by the Special Revenue Inspectors and draft declarations submitted to Government for publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* in 47 cases. The total extent measured by the Special Revenue Inspectors during the quarter was 43·38 acres against 21·9625 acres in the previous quarter. Out of the remaining 18 applications pending measurement of lands by the Special Revenue Inspectors, draft declarations have since been submitted in 14 cases, and the Revenue Inspectors have been strictly ordered to dispose of the remaining 4 applications and submit draft declarations at once. Of the cases in which draft declarations were submitted to Government and published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, lands covered by 23 applications were handed over to the Public Works Department during the quarter under report. Fifteen days' notices have been issued in the remaining cases and the lands covered by them will be handed over to the department of Public Works shortly. The duration of pendency of the 18 applications is as shown in the margin. The total amount of compensation disbursed to the parties during the quarter under report was Rs. 920–11–2 against Rs. 1,375–4–4 in the previous quarter.

More than one month and not more than six months	11
More than six months and not more than one year	7
Total ...	18

5. *Sales of waste lands.*—There was no sale of waste lands during the quarter under report. As regards the sales of tank-bed lands, I beg to submit that, in my letter, Ref. on Cur. No. 132, dated 30th April last, proposals were submitted for the sale of 219·10 acres of land in the beds of 15 tanks in 10 villages in the Madura taluk. The sanction of the Board was applied for thereon, but the Board has called for further information regarding the disposal of tank-bed lands by darkhast. The matter has been referred to me in your Ref. on Cur. No. 634/Genl. of 1902, dated 22nd instant, and I shall submit my report thereon as soon as possible.

6. *Whole inam and zemin tanks and dry lands supplied with Periyár water.*—During the quarter under report, 13 applications for Periyár water to whole inam and zamin tanks were received and complied with. Thirty-nine applications for inam dry lands were also received, of which permission was given in 28 cases, as the lands covered by them were certified by the Public Works Department to be drainage affected. The remaining 11 applications were rejected.

7. *Prospects of extension of cultivation.*—During the quarter under report, 2,203 applications for Periyár water for irrigating about 11,300 acres of dry land were received, and all of them have been sent to the Executive Engineer.

8. With regard to the Peranai suit, I beg to submit that the plaintiffs have applied for an adjournment and that the suit may probably come up for trial in October next if not otherwise disposed of.

9. As regards the work of cross roads, I beg to report that two cross road overseers were working under me till 31st March last. The taluk Board, Madura, has dispensed with the services of one from 1st April. During the quarter under

report, 1 mile $4\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs of roadway were investigated and lines were aligned and lockspitted to a distance of a mile and a half. Demarcation stones were planted for two miles 9 furlongs and earth and masonry works to a distance of 2 miles 3 furlongs were completed. Declarations for lands to be acquired were submitted for 5 miles 3 furlongs and a sum of Rs. 125 was disbursed to the parties on account of lands taken up.

Endorsement by the Collector of Madura, dated 12th August 1902, R. Dis. No. 926-Rev.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, Madras.

2. The progress made in the work of sub-division of survey fields since this duty was entrusted to the Special Deputy Collector at the beginning of December last is exhibited in the following figures :—

—	Sub-divisions pending at beginning of quarter.	Sub-divisions measured during the quarter.	Balance.
December 1901	47,486	15,326	32,160
31st March 1902	32,160	2,316	29,844
30th June 1902	29,844	3,518	26,326

The outturn of work here recorded cannot be said to be very satisfactory, but unfortunately the real facts are probably much worse. In the first place the Special Deputy Collector has omitted to bring into account any of the sub-divisions that will be rendered necessary by the numerous acquisitions of land for channels, roads and other purposes. Hence there is no reliable evidence as to what the number of sub-divisions actually pending may be. The Special Deputy Collector is requested to furnish accurate statistics on this point. In the second place it appears that, even in respect of the sub-divisions measured, the areas have not been adjusted and the records completed. It also appears from the Special Deputy Collector's Dis. No. 201-R., dated 4th August 1902, that the sub-divisions have not been demarcated.

3. The work done by the Special Deputy Collector in respect of disposal of applications under the Loans Act is shown for a period of two years in the following table. The number of applications pending at the end of the quarter was 115, of which 28 had been pending over one month, 16 of these being with the Public Works or Registration Department. The progress of this branch of work seems fairly satisfactory, but the 12 long-standing applications should be cleared off at once, and the special attention of the Registrar of Madura should be drawn to the 18 cases which have been pending with his department for over a month.

4. In the following table the number of requisitions received from the Public Works Department for the acquisition of land for distributaries and field channels and the number disposed of during each quarter of the last two years are compared. The outturn of work during the last quarter shows an improvement, but it cannot be considered satisfactory that at the end of this quarter 7 requisitions and at the end of the last quarter 28 requisitions of more than six months' pendency should remain outstanding. The figures supplied do not throw any light on the progress made in disbursement of compensation to parties, and the Special Deputy Collector is requested to report the number of parties to whom compensation was payable in respect of the 154 applications dealt with in the last 2 years, the total amount payable to them, and the total amount disbursed to them up to 30th June 1902.

STATEMENT showing the requisitions received from the Public Works officers for the acquisition of lands.

Quarter.	Number of applications received but pending disposal.	Number of applications received during the quarter.	Total.	Number of applications complied with during the quarter.	Extent measured by the Special Revenue Inspectors during the quarter.	Number pending measurement.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
					ACS.	
30th June 1900	9	3	12	1	·27	11
30th September 1900	11	3	14	4	1·64	10
31st December ,, ...	10	19	29	20	15·005	9
31st March 1901	9	11	20	8	10·78	12
30th June ,, ...	12	8	20	12	22·0025	8
30th September 1901	8	22	30	9	11·89625	21
31st December ,, ...	21	56	77	37	46·7975	40
31st March 1902	40	30	70	16	21·9625	54
30th June ,, ...	54	11	65	47	43·3800	18
Total ..	..	163	..	154	173·73375	..

5. The further sale of waste land and of tank-bed lands will have to be deferred until the question of how far zamin and inam lands are to be brought within the Periyár system is settled. The Special Deputy Collector is requested to expedite his reply to this office Ref. on Cur. No. 432-B. and G., dated 30th April 1902.

6. Very little progress was made with the operations relating to cross roads during the quarter. During the last 2 years, the length of cross roads investigated has been 104½ miles, of which 77¼ miles have been aligned and lockspitted and 75¼ miles demarcated, while earth work and masonry work have been done on 20 miles. This result is meagre in the extreme, but now that Government has directed that all work on cross roads by the Special Deputy Collector should cease, the subject has ceased to possess as much importance as formerly.

7. On the whole the Collector is not satisfied that the work of the Special Deputy Collector has been as prompt and thorough as it should have been. The operations relative to sub-division of survey fields have clearly not received sufficient personal attention. Complaints have been received of delay in the settlement of claims to compensation. On the other hand the Special Deputy Collector has a good deal of miscellaneous work which is not included in the statistics now noticed, and it is not easy to judge what allowance should be made on these accounts. There has been some improvement lately in the promptness of reply to references and it is hoped that this will be maintained.

ENCLOSURE.

APPLICATIONS under the Loans Act.

Quarter.	Applications for loans pending at the beginning of the quarter.		Applications for loans received during the quarter.		Applications rejected.	
	Number.	Amount involved.	Number	Amount involved.	Number.	Amount involved.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		RS.		RS.		RS.
Quarter ending 30th June 1900 ..	186	33,005	135	19,311	29	4,331
Do. 30th September 1900 ..	185	31,346	57	14,755	45	7,610
Do. 31st December ,, ..	143	28,076	184	41,456	29	5,030
Do. 31st March 1901 ..	167	33,761	428	84,545	15	2,140
Do. 30th June ,, ..	164	34,931	107	25,615	42	7,505
Do. 30th September 1901 ..	127	30,170	175	48,850	55	13,930
Do. 31st December ,, ..	178	46,765	154	43,222	52	14,040
Do. 31st March 1902 ..	79	22,655	221	57,103	17	3,455
Do. 30th June ,, ..	79	19,725	145	36,695	17	4 500
Total ..	..	..	1,606	3,71,552	301	62,541

—	Applications accepted.		Reduction in the amount applied for.	Total allotment for the year under Land Improvement and Agriculturists Loans Acts.	Amount advanced during the quarter including payment of second instalment.
	Number.	Amount involved.			
	8	9	10	11	12
		RS.	RS. A. P.	1900–1901. RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Quarter ending 30th June 1900	107	13,565	3,074 0 0	1,07,950 0 0	17,632 8 0
Do. 30th September 1900 ..	54	6,228	4,187 0 0	..	8,010 8 0
Do. 31st December ,, ..	131	23,515	7,226 0 0	..	23,140 0 0
Do. 31st March 1901	416	76,305	4,930 0 0	..	59,160 0 0
				1901–1902.	
Do. 30th June ,, ...	102	21,895	976 0 0	1,32,500 0 0	27,202 8 0
Do. 30th September 1901 ..	69	12,445	5,880 0 0	..	17,062 8 0
Do. 31st December ,, ..	201	43,320	9,972 0 0	..	38,220 0 0
Do. 31st March 1902 ..	204	48,950	7,628 0 0	..	50,015 0 0
				1902–1903.	
Do. 30th June ,, ...	92	18,890	3,575 0 0	1,25,800 0 0	22,277 8 0
Total ..	1,376	2,65,113	47,448 0 0	..	2,62,720 8 0

Resolution—No. 168, dated 25th August 1902.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Board agrees with the Collector in thinking that the operations relative to sub-division of survey fields have not received sufficient personal attention from the Special Deputy Collector.

3. The work done by him in respect of disposal of applications under the Loans Acts was fair. It is observed that Rs. 22,277½ were disbursed during the quarter out of an allotment of Rs. 1,45,800 placed at his disposal for the current official year.

4. The following discrepancy in the amount involved in the applications for loans should be explained:—

	No.	Amount.
		RS.
Total number of applications that had to be disposed of during the quarter	224	56,420
Applications rejected during the quarter	17	4,500
Applications accepted do.	92	18,890
Reduction in the amounts applied for	...	3,595
Balance ...	115	29,435
Balance as per paragraph 4 of the report ...	115	29,455
Difference ...	...	20

5. The progress made in the disposal of applications for the acquisition of lands for laying out distributaries and field channels shows an improvement as compared with the previous quarter, but 18 applications were pending measurement of lands by the Special Revenue Inspectors at the end of the quarter, 7 of them having been pending for more than six months.

6. The progress made in the construction of cross roads was not satisfactory. Government has, however, recently directed that the Special Deputy Collector should stop all further work connected with cross roads.

7. The Board agrees with the Collector that the work done by the Special Deputy Collector during the quarter under report was not satisfactory on the whole.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, Collector of Madura.
,, Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. Md. Pahilwan.

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